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An Exciting Career in the Forensic Sciences with the Illinois State Police

DNA/Forensic Biology

Firearms/Toolmarks

Questioned Documents

Drug Chemistry

Latent Prints

Microscopy

Trace Analysis

Forensic Toxicology

Polygraph

"Sherlock Holmes"...

"Miss Jane Marple"...

"Hercule Poirot"...

"Jessica Fletcher"...

"Quincy"...

Fictional detectives are those fascinating people who can determine from a single clue the identity of the culprit. Yet, truth is often stranger and more exciting than fiction. Real-life investigation of real-life clues is happening in the Illinois State Police Forensic Science Laboratories each day, and you can be part of this exciting and rewarding career - as a Forensic Scientist Trainee.

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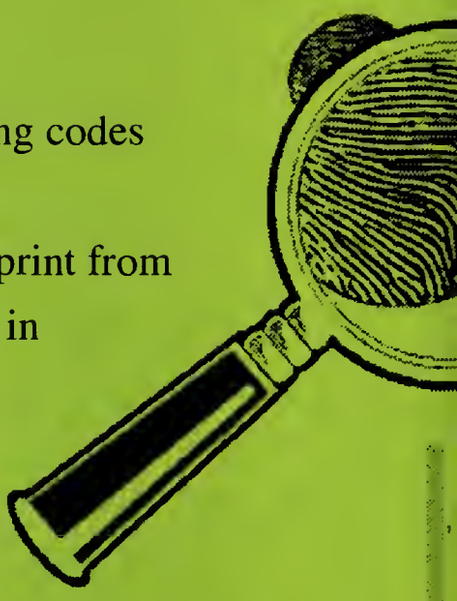

- the unique and revealing codes extracted from DNA
- the identity of a fingerprint from over 3 million others - in minutes
- the hidden markings seen only with infrared "eyes"
- the outline of a shoe from barely perceptible particles of dust

This is the wondrous world of discovery, the world of Forensic Science.

For those who love a good mystery, or just good science, now is the time to apply to become a Forensic Scientist Trainee with the Illinois State Police. Trainee salaries start at $2,585/mo., with journey level analysts earning up to a current $5,479/mo. Minimum qualifications include a bachelor's degree in natural or forensic science plus curiosity, a sense of adventure, and a willingness to serve the citizens of Illinois.

As Forensic Scientist Trainees, those selected will receive comprehensive instruction in the use of the most advanced forensic science technology and procedures for analyzing evidence, and we will pay you to learn. Specialty areas include drug chemistry, firearms/toolmarks, DNA/forensic biology, microscopy, latent prints, trace analysis, questioned documents, forensic toxicology, and polygraph. Length of training ranges from 15 months to three years, depending upon the assigned discipline.

The Illinois State Police Forensic Science Laboratory System is one of the finest in the world, and became the first such laboratory system in history to be accredited for the quality of its service.

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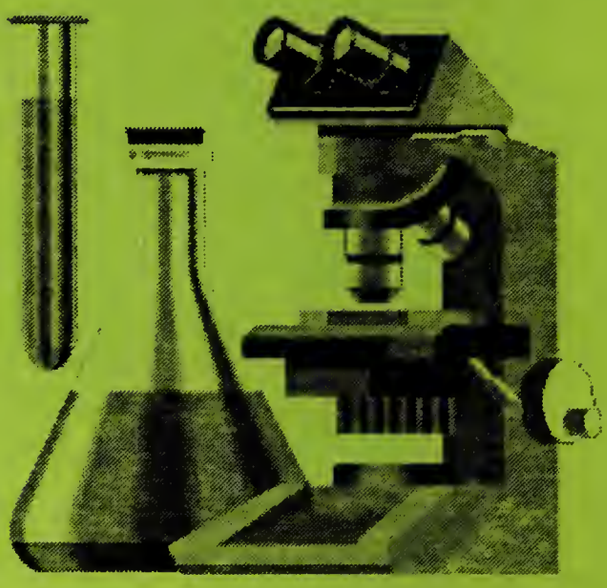

For further information

on how to become part of this wondrous world, contact the

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Current salary ranges:

Forensic Scientist Trainee $2,585-$3,690

Forensic Scientist I, II, III $2,963-$5,479

Public Service Administrator
(Supervisor) $2,996-$6,558

Senior Public Service Administrator
(Upper Management) $4,130-$9,705

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